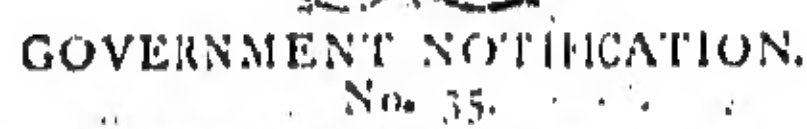






To-day's  
Advertisements.THEATRE ROYAL,  
CITY HALL.HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC  
CLUB.WILL GIVE  
FIVE PERFORMANCES  
OF  
THE YEOMEN OF THE GUARD,  
OR  
THE MERRYMAN AND HIS MAID,  
BY  
W. S. GIBBERT & ARTHUR SULIVAN,  
TO-NIGHT.(MONDAY) 12th February.  
(TUESDAY) 13th  
(WEDNESDAY) 14th  
(THURSDAY) 15th  
(FRIDAY) 16th  
(SATURDAY) 17th  
(SUNDAY) 18th

Commencing each Evening at 7 P.M., precisely.

Dress Circle and Stalls ..... \$3  
Pit ..... 1/6  
Half-price to the Pit for Soldiers, Sailors,  
and Police in Uniform.TICKETS can be obtained at the Booking  
Office of the Theatre, CITY HALL, daily at 10  
A.M.The Booking Office will OPEN Daily  
from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. except on Race Days,  
when it will be open from 10 A.M. to 12 NOON.Late Trams will run 1 hour after the fall of  
the curtain.H. C. NEEDLE,  
Acting Manager,  
Hongkong, 12th February, 1900. [122b]GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.  
No. 35.THE following Particulars of Sale of Crown  
Land by Public Auction, to be held at the  
Offices of the Public Works Department, on  
MONDAY,the 10th day of February, 1900, at 3 P.M.,  
are published for general information.  
By Command,  
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,  
Colonial Secretary.Particulars of the letting by Public Auction  
Sale, to be held on Monday, the 10th day of  
February, 1900, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of  
the Public Works Department, by Order of  
His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of  
CROWN LAND, at Mong Kok Tsui, Kowloon,  
in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75  
Years, with the option of renewal at a CROWN  
RENT to be fixed by the Surveyor of Her  
Majesty the QUEEN, for one further term of  
75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale. Locality. Boundary Measurements. Content in Square Feet. Annual Rent. Upset Price.

Kowloon Island Lot No. 505. Mong Kok Tsui. 100 ft. by 100 ft. 10,000. 100. 1,000.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.  
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for a term of 75 Years, with the option of  
renewal at a CROWN RENT to be fixed by  
the Surveyor of Her Majesty the QUEEN  
for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale. Locality. Boundary Measurements. Content in Square Feet. Annual Rent. Upset Price.

Kowloon Island Lot No. 506. Mong Kok Tsui. 100 ft. by 100 ft. 10,000. 100. 1,000.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.  
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the Public Works Department, by Order of  
His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of  
CROWN LAND, at Yau Ma Tei, Kowloon, in the Colony of  
Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years, with the option  
of renewal at a CROWN RENT to be fixed by  
the Surveyor of Her Majesty the QUEEN  
for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale. Locality. Boundary Measurements. Content in Square Feet. Annual Rent. Upset Price.

Kowloon Island Lot No. 507. Yau Ma Tei. 100 ft. by 100 ft. 10,000. 100. 1,000.

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the Surveyor of Her Majesty the QUEEN  
for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale. Locality. Boundary Measurements. Content in Square Feet. Annual Rent. Upset Price.

Kowloon Island Lot No. 508. Yau Ma Tei. 100 ft. by 100 ft. 10,000. 100. 1,000.

To-day's  
Advertisements.THE EQUITABLE LIFE  
ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE  
UNITED STATES.FINAL FIGURES  
FOR 1899.THE Head Office of the East-  
ern Branch has now received  
a further Telegram giving the re-  
vised Figures for the past year,  
which show an increase, both in  
Assets and Surplus upon the pre-  
vious year.

The Final figures are:-

ASSETS.  
£38,373,185.SURPLUS.  
£12,732,808.NEW BUSINESS,  
1899.  
£42,354,548.OUTSTANDING BUSINESS,  
on 31st December.  
£219,670,088.F. KIENE,  
Acting Manager,  
No. 9, Praya, Hongkong.

12th February, 1900. [186b]

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY  
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS  
of the above Company will be held at the OFFICES  
of the Company, No. 4, Queen's Buildings, on  
WEDNESDAY, the 28th day of February, at  
12 o'clock (NOON) to receive a Statement of  
Accounts to the 31st December, 1899, and the  
Report of the Manager and Consulting Commit-  
tee and to elect a Consulting Committee and  
Auditor.The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 14th to 28th instant,  
both days inclusive.J. WHEELEY,  
Manager,  
Hongkong, 12th February, 1900. [191b]

HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB.

SHIELD MATCHES.

AT the SEMI-FINALS and FINAL on the  
17th February, the 3rd and the 10th  
March, respectively, all Seats not occupied by  
Members at the advertised time of kick-off will  
be sold at Fifty cents each; the proceeds will  
be given to the Shield Fund. Ladies will be  
admitted Free as usual. Members must show  
Tickets at Entrance as the Members' and  
Visitors' Books will not be available for Signa-  
ture at these Matches.F. BROWNE,  
Hon. Secretary,  
Hongkong, 12th February, 1900. [187b]DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship  
"HAIMUN."  
Captain Hodgins, will be despatched for the  
above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 14th instant,  
at Daylight.For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co.,  
General Managers,  
Hongkong, 12th February, 1900. [184b]CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship  
"SUNGKIANG."  
Captain Moore, will be despatched as above  
on FRIDAY, the 16th instant.The attention of Passengers is directed to  
the Superior Accommodation offered by this  
Steamer. The Vessel is fitted throughout with  
Electric Light.For Freight or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents,  
Hongkong, 12th February, 1900. [185b]

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship  
"ST. REGULUS."  
will be despatched for the above Port.  
For Freight, apply to  
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,  
Agents,  
Hongkong, 12th February, 1900. [132b]

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per Steamship  
"HONGKONG MARU."  
The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees  
of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their  
Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to  
take immediate delivery of their Goods from  
alongside.Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel  
will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk  
and expense.J. S. VAN BUREN,  
Agent,  
Hongkong, 12th February, 1900. [7]

NOTICE.

THE OFFICES of the "HONGKONG  
TELEGRAPH" have This Day been  
removed to No. 50, QUEEN'S ROAD  
CENTRAL, Second Floor, (the premises  
formerly occupied by Messrs. POWELL & Co.)  
to which address all communications should  
be addressed.ETH. F. SKERTCHLY,  
Manager,  
Hongkong, 1st May, 1899.

## Intimation.

A. S. WATSON & Co.,  
LIMITED.

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1811.

SCOTCH WHISKY.

A.—THORNE'S BLEND, White  
Capsule ..... \$10.80B.—WATSON'S GLENROCHY  
MELLOW BLEND, Blue  
Capsule, with Name  
and Trade Mark ..... 10.80C.—WATSON'S ABELOUR-  
GLENROCHY, Red Cap-  
sule, with name and  
Trade Mark ..... 12.00D.—WATSON'S I.L.K.D. BLEND  
OF THE FINEST SCOTCH  
MALT WHISKIES, Vio-  
let Capsule ..... 14.40E.—WATSON'S VERY OLD LI-  
QUEUR SCOTCH WHISKY.  
Gold Capsule ..... 15.00THORNE'S BLEND and WATSON'S  
GLENROCHY are high class Soda  
Whiskies, of greater age than most  
brands in the market.ABELOUR-GLENROCHY is a very old  
Peat Whisky, (smoky) and could not  
now be replaced in stock at the price.D is well known for its fine  
flavour.E is of superb quality and pro-  
nounced by leading local connois-  
seurs to be the best brand in the  
Hongkong market.A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.  
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

MARRIAGE.

On the 27th January, in Cleveland, Ohio,  
U.S.A., Miss MARY E. HARRITT to Mr. ALFRED  
UNGER, of Yokohama.At his residence, Fernside, Robinson Road,  
on Sunday, the 11th February, EDWARD  
BURNIE in his 9th year. [183b]Suddenly, on 31st January, at Miyashita,  
WILLIAM GORDON, formerly of Keith, Scotland,  
in the 50th year of his age.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1900.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

THE WAR.

Apparently we are never to succeed in  
crossing the Tugela River successfully in  
the face of the Boers. We are told one day  
that General Buller commands the  
shortest road to Ladysmith and the next  
Reuter announces that it would be impossible  
to advance in face of the murderous Boer  
shell fire. In other words General Buller  
does not command the shortest road to  
Ladysmith at all, for the fact that the  
Boer fire renders an advance along it  
impracticable proves that the Boers and not  
the British hold the dominant position.Certainly the news from Natal is most  
dispiriting and a regular game of bat-  
tle and shuttlecock seems to be in  
progress. Buller throws his troops across  
the Tugela and Joubert throws them back  
and naturally the troops suffer as the game  
proceeds. We are not finding fault with  
General Buller, for he is doing his best,  
and no man can do more. "It may be," for  
all we know, that this constant advancing  
and retiring action of General Buller is  
merely a part of the plan of campaign and  
that it is kept up simply to keep the Boers  
employed while Lord Roberts is preparing  
another column to march in by another route  
and take them in the rear. At all events it is  
a significant fact that all news from other  
quarters, with the exception of a few messages from  
Modder River appears to be rigorously  
censored and so we may well suspend judgment  
and await the development of events,  
painful and slow though that development  
may appear to us.

THE COMING REVOLUTION.

In another column will be found a letter  
signed "LIBERTY, FREEDOM AND REFORM"  
which purports to set forth the aims of the  
Revolutionary Party in China and states  
that the coming revolution is to take place  
immediately. Despite the assurance given  
that such is to be the case, however, we  
must decline to believe that the revolution is  
so imminent as our correspondent would  
have us believe. We have had the cry of  
"war raised so often of late years that we  
begin to grow sceptical with regard to the  
revolution and the intentions of the Revolu-  
tionary Party who, as our correspondent  
points out, have been "organizing and wait-  
ing for the last two hundred and thirty years."Surely two and a quarter centuries is  
rather a long period for preparation and  
in any other country but China action  
would have commenced long ago. But  
in China everything and everyone is  
behind the times and it may well be that  
our correspondent has been premature in  
announcing the outbreak and that anothertwo hundred and thirty years will be required  
before action is taken, unless the partition of  
China becomes an accomplished fact before  
that date. We will believe in the great re-  
volution when we see it in full swing, for, as we  
have pointed out on former occasions, we do  
not believe that a Chinaman capable of con-  
ducting the revolution exists. The assur-  
ances with regard to the "Open door" and  
the security of loans are very well in  
their way, but our correspondent ought  
to know that the powers concerned would  
take care that these benefits would be  
secured to them without troubling their  
heads about the sentiments of the Revolu-  
tionists. Finally we will advise "LIBERTY,  
FREEDOM AND REFORM" to prepare a more  
detailed and explicit plan of campaign before  
asking for recruits. Unless this is  
done we doubt if any but mere adventurers  
will flock to the standard of revolt and these  
will come, not for the love of active service,  
but in the hope of personal gain. There is  
a great deal too much talk and far too little  
action in the Chinese Revolutionary Party.  
Foreigners are apt to judge patriots by deeds  
and not by words.

## REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

## THE WAR.

## Modder River.

LONDON, February 9th.

General Macdonald was engaged all  
Wednesday in repelling a series of attacks  
on his position at Koodloberg. Casualties  
amounted to fifty. General Methuen has  
ordered (?) General Macdonald's return to  
Modder River.

New Military Programme.

The Government's plan includes an addi-  
tion to the forces of 37 batteries artillery,  
third battalions to numerous regiments and  
the erection of barracks and artillery head  
quarters on Salisbury plain.

## Natal.

A Boer despatch from Ladysmith dated  
8th instant states that the British retired  
across the Tugela River that morning  
abandoning their position after a Boer  
bombardment.

## Cape Colony.

LONDON, February 10th.

Reuter's Correspondent at Rensberg says  
it is a mistake to suppose that the British  
have in anywise surrounded the Boers in the  
Colesberg district and the enemy occupy a  
wide semicircle North of the town including  
all avenues to the Free State. The Boers  
are very active, threatening our right flank  
and stopping our wagon traffic.

## Natal.

Reuter's Correspondent at Springfield  
under date 9th instant says that finding the  
enemy in great strength on the Brakfontein  
hills to the left and his position exposed to  
a convergent fire, General Buller decided  
that it was impossible to advance by this  
route without needless loss of life; and  
ordered a retreat on Wednesday night under  
cover of the big guns on Swartkopskop the  
superiority of the enemy's shell fire, &c., &c.)(These last two sentences may read, "and  
ordered a retreat on Wednesday night  
under cover of the big guns on Swartkopskop the  
superiority of the enemy's shell fire, &c., &c.")

## Parliament.

The House of Commons has adopted the  
address by 229 to 99. Supplementary Army  
estimates of £14,000,000 provide for 120,000  
more men, making a grand total of 339,853.

## WEATHER REPORT.

The Observatory report says:-  
On the 11th at 11.55 a.m. the barometer has  
risen in the Sea of Japan, fallen on the China  
coast. Pressure remains high over Central  
China, and a low area lies to the E. of Japan.  
Gradients slight with moderate monsoon on the  
coast, moderate with strong monsoon in the N.  
part of the China Sea. FORECAST:-Moderate  
N. winds; fair.On the 12th at 11.55 a.m. the barometer has  
fallen on the China coast. A depression seems  
to be moving Eastwards in N. China. Gradients  
slight with light variable winds in the North,  
and moderate monsoon in the N. part of the  
China Sea. FORECAST:-Moderate E. winds;  
cloudy, some drizzling rain or mist.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

We should advise our readers who are cyclists  
to take extra care of their iron steeds as we  
were informed today at the Central Police  
Station that no less than 50 machines had been  
reported as mysteriously missing during the  
last month.An Imperial decree transmitted through the  
Grand Council has been sent to all the small  
arms and cartridge factories throughout the  
Empire of China commanding them to make  
nothing but rifles after the small-bore Mauser  
pattern, and also to alter all those in their hands  
and in the Ordnance godowns to the same  
pattern. Cartridge factories are also to manu-  
facture in the future nothing but cartridges to  
fit the above.The following appointments appear in the  
Government Gazette:-Honourable Francis  
Henry May, C.M.G., to be Acting Colonial  
Secretary and Acting Registrar-General.Francis Joseph Bailey to be Acting Captain  
Superintendent of Police, Acting Superintend-  
ent of Victoria Gao, and Acting Superintend-  
ent of the Fire Brigade. Inspector Alexander  
Mackie to be Acting Deputy Superintendent of  
Police and Acting Assistant Superintendent of  
the Fire Brigade. Arthur Wimbolt Brewin to  
be a member of the Legislative Council.The returns of the number of visitors to the  
City Hall Museum, for the week ended 11th  
February, are:-Europeans 262; Chinese 13,082;  
total 13,344.Terrible devastations have been taken place  
on the coast of the easternmost German pro-  
vince, all around from Danzig to Memel.  
Many trees and houses have been blown down  
by gales, and the formerly beautiful bathing-  
place-Crone-has almost entirely disappeared.The fishing village-Klein-Berlin-has been  
washed away by the waves; sixteen families,  
numbering altogether sixty-nine souls, have  
been saved, but they have lost all their property.At the city of Elbing, further inland the dyke  
has given way. The floods entered the city and  
all traffic was interrupted. Many lives have  
been lost.-Japan Mail.We would call the attention of our readers to  
the final figures for 1899 of the business of  
the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the  
United States as set forth in an advertisement  
appearing in another column. Below we show  
the 1898 figures as compared with those for  
1899.Assets ..... £53,826,037 £58,373,185  
Surplus ..... 11,039,485 12,732,808  
New Business ..... 41,325,545 42,154,548  
Outstanding Bu-  
siness on 31  
Dec. .... 205,657,736 219,670,088The following appears in the Hongkong  
Volunteer Corps Order for the week ending  
17th instant:-On resuming command of the  
Corps the Commandant desires to express his  
sincere gratification at the great increase in the  
numbers and efficiency of the Corps which has  
taken place during his absence, at the same  
time to place on record his sense of the deep  
obligation under which all ranks lie to Colonel  
R. B. Mainwaring, C.M.G., Royal Welch  
Fusiliers, and Major M. M. Morris, R.G.A., for  
their services, so generously rendered and so  
fortunate in their results, in holding the com-  
mand during the last ten months.ON Tuesday evening, say the N. C. D. News  
of the 8th instant, a raid was again made on  
some foreign property at Potting, by the  
notorious gang of armed rowdies whose actions  
we have several times alluded to in these  
columns. The native employees on the prop-  
erty are said to have been robbed to the  
extent of fifty dollars, and they assert that the  
desperadoes were armed with long knives, guns,  
and revolvers. Information reached the authori-  
ties too late to bring about a capture; anyhow,  
we fear that a hundred men, carrying weapons  
as described will require more than the ordinary  
force of police to effect their arrest.APPROPOS of the recent complaint of Lord  
Roberts to Presidents Steyne and Kruger the  
N. C. D. News says:-Mr. J. Welch has recently  
received a letter from a relative at Queens-  
town which tells of three such cases as the  
complaint to the two Presidents is intended to  
stop. First is that of a connection by marriage,  
who was commandeered in the Orange Free  
State, and was forced to take part in the battle  
of Elandsfontein. He contrived that his should  
be a small party and that he should be taken  
prisoner by our troops. At present he occupies  
the anomalous position of a prisoner of war at  
Pietmaritzburg. A second case was of a  
gentleman and his two nephews, all three of  
them commandeered. The uncle and one nephew  
were shot, while the third was taken as a  
willing prisoner by the English. Worse than  
these, perhaps, is the third instance, which is  
mentioned in Mr. Welch's letter. It tells of  
two brothers, forced to fight on opposite sides  
-one as a volunteer in Cape Colony, and the  
other commandeered in the Orange Free State.  
It is evident that this coercion into active  
service of British subjects is very general, and  
it is high time it was stopped.HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER  
OF COMMERCE.At the monthly meeting of the General Com-  
mittee of the Hongkong General Chamber  
of Commerce, held at 3 p.m. on the 15th  
January, Present:-Messrs. R. M. Gray  
(Chairman), A. McGonachie (Vice-Chairman),  
A. Haupt, H. A. Ritchie, N. A. Siebs, Herbert  
Smith, Hon. T. H. Whitehead, and Mr. R. C.  
Wilcox (Secretary).

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting (held  
14th December) were read and confirmed.

CABLE RATES FROM FAR EAST TO EUROPE.

In accordance with decision taken at last  
meeting, letters were addressed (1) to the London  
Manager of the Eastern Extension Tele-  
graph Co., acknowledging receipt of his reply  
to Chamber's letter of 22nd November, and  
asking to be furnished with a copy of the  
letter from the Company to the Government  
making a proposal for the general lowering  
of tariffs, and (2) to the local manager of  
the same Company enclosing copy of the foregoing  
and asking if he would kindly make the in-  
quiry by wire to save time.Read reply from Mr. Von der Pfordten, dated  
22nd January, stating that if the Government  
decided to accept the proposals of the Company  
and hoped the changes would be effected as soon  
as they could be conveniently carried out.  
(To be continued.)

THE LATE CAPTAIN BURNIE.

It is with great regret that we announce the  
death of Captain Edward Burnie, which took  
place at his residence, "Fernside," Robinson  
Road, yesterday. Captain Burnie came to  
Hongkong about forty years ago, in 1859 or  
1860, and was for many years employed by the  
Douglas Steamship Company in command of  
different vessels of their fleet. On retiring from  
the service of the company he took up the  
business of Marine Surveyor, and in 1896 took  
into partnership Captain F. D. Goddard, from  
which date the business was carried on under  
their joint names. The firm were appointed  
surveyors to the local insurance companies, the  
German Lloyd, the Norwegian-Veritas, the  
American Bureau of Shipping and the Register  
of Shipping. Captain Burnie was well respected  
in Hongkong both in the business and private  
capacity and during his long residence in the  
Colony made numerous friends who will mourn  
his loss. He died at the comparatively early  
age of fifty-eight, having been ailing for some  
time past from some heart affection, and leaves  
a widow and six children to whom in their  
behalf we extend our deepest sympathy.

THE PLAGUE.

Cases reported for 16th instant. 12  
Do. 17th " 10  
Do. 18th " 10  
Do. 19th " 10  
Do. 20th " 10  
Do. 21st " 10  
Do. 22nd " 10  
Do. 23rd " 10  
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Do. 26th " 10  
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Do. 28th " 10  
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Do. 30th " 10  
Do. 31st " 10  
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## RESPONDENCE.

Feb. 12, *Salazie*, French str., for Europe.  
Feb. 12, *Human*, British str., for Wuhu.  
Feb. 12, *Iburia Maria*, Japanese str., for Kobe.  
Feb. 12, *Conventus*, British str., for Mail.

Feb. 12, *Telearkis*, German str., for Saigon.  
Feb. 12, *Loangmoon*, German str., for Canton.  
Feb. 12, *Robert Dickinson*, British str., for  
Shanghai.

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**Passengers—Arrived.**  
Per *Piccola*, from Sourabaya—2 Chinese.  
Per *Michael Jensen*, from Haiphong, &c.—14  
Chinese.  
Per *Phra Nang*, from Bangkok—Messrs

Per *Longmarch*, from Shanghai—Revs. Whit-  
tall and Back, and 20 Chinese.

Per *Salazie*, for Marseilles from Shanghai—  
Mr. and Mrs. Ku Yung, Mr. and Mrs. Gaillard  
and 2 children, Messrs. de Bretenil, Duplessis  
Ingelman, Lambotte, Hoang Pao-chung, Y.  
Tson and several, from Yokohama—Messrs.  
Sugi, Otsuki, Tremolieres, Kintezan, B. Matsui  
Tajizawa, Yamaguchi, K. Niwa,  
Kibayashi, H. Oaki, Mutsura, Salabelle  
and others, Nippon.

From Nagasaki—Messrs. Colobolesoff and Kovalesky. For Colombo from Shanghai—Mr. Lee. For Yokohama—Mr. K. Taromallu. From Kobe—Mr. Ozawa and boy. For Singapore from Shanghai—Mr. Mayer, Mr. and Mrs. Seng Sek Yee and child, and Mr. Renazaroff. From Yokohama—Mr. and Mrs. Michael and child, and Mr. Kodama. From Nagasaki—Mrs. Imada, Messrs. Furukunza and Dickson. From Saigon from Yokohama—Mr. Siegel.

Nagasaki—Mrs. Yameshimada, For Hongkong.  
 from Shanghai—Mr. Burkhill, Mrs. Sanger.  
 Mrs. Merrill, Mrs. Harry, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil.  
 Holiday, Muller, Cumming, Mrs. E. Dieben.  
 Messrs. E. V. Huson, F. Oliveira and servants.  
 Mariano, R. Moore, Said Mahmond, Douglas.  
 Jones, C. Vidal, Wentzuisen, Howarth, Mrs.  
 de Emerson, and Mrs. Rena Crane. From  
 Yokohama—Mr. Henpage, Mr. and Mrs. C.  
 Rogge, Messrs. S. dos Remedios, O. Lee.  
 Embury, Mrs. Bensen, and Mrs. Connist. From  
 Kobe—Mr. and Mrs. Ha Hing, Ha San, Al.

Ying, Nakamura, Mrs. Baba, Mrs. Takeshita  
Mrs. Murata, Mrs. Shikada, Mrs. Kanabara  
and Mr. and Mrs. Mattaldi.  
For *Nanchang*, from Cebu—5 Europeans and  
3 Chinese:  
Per *Kong Beng*, from Saigon—Miss Wells  
Mr. Barrett, and 1 Chinese.  
For *Hongkong Mary*, from San Francisco  
See: Misses Carrie Rieck, Clara Rieck, Mrs.  
Leon Roudiz, Helen Roudiz, Mrs. L. R.  
Holbrook, Mrs. S. H. Tainter, Mrs. A. S.  
Towar, Messrs. Alford Towar, John

Ludwig, S. Macdonald, W. J. Carlisle,  
(Chas. Kievely, A. Hockwood, R. E. Torg,  
D. C. Campbell, R. C. Farbridge, W. Cox, D.  
W. Crawford, G. Willeumier, T. E. Ogden,  
Baud, Wm. Whitley, Jr., and Mrs. Cates.  
Departed.

<i>Name.</i>	<i>From.</i>	<i>Due.</i>
Australian .....	Port Darwin ....	To-morrow
Glentworth .....	Singapore .....	To-morrow

Sydney	Saigon	Feb. 14th
Kumsang	Singapore	Feb. 14th
Bornida	Singapore	Feb. 16th
Denbighshire	Singapore	Feb. 16th
Fitz. Ferdinand	Singapore	Feb. 16th
Algera	Japan	Feb. 20th
Empress of Japan	Japan	Feb. 23rd
China	San Francisco	Feb. 24th
Doric	San Francisco	Mar. 1st
Nippon Maru	San Francisco	Mar. 9th

We would direct the attention of shipping firms to the fact that the above dates are subject to change without notice.

Ship.	Destination.	Date.
Alesia .....	Havre, &c.	Mar. 4th
Algoa .....	San Francisco, &c.	Mar. 1st

America, Maru...	San Francisco, &c.	April 14
Austria	New York	Mar. 18
Bayern	Traits, &c.	Mar. 7
Belgian King	San Diego, &c.	Feb. 218
Bengal	Europe, &c.	Feb. 17
Calculus	London	Mar. 20
Canotta	Rangoon	Feb. 28
Candia	Kobe	Mar. 3
Canton	London	Feb. 22
Changsha	Sydney, &c.	Mar. 5
China	San Francisco, &c.	Mar. 27
City of Rio	San Francisco, &c.	Mar. 27

Coptic	San Francisco, &c.	April 5th
Coramandel	Shanghai	Feb. 17th
Denbighshire	Japan	Feb. 19th
Diamante	Manila	Feb. 17th
Doric	San Francisco, &c.	Mar. 10th
Emp. China	Vancouver, &c.	April 4th
Emp. India		Feb. 14th
Emp. Japan		Mar. 14th
Frz. Ferdinand	Yokohama & Kobe	Feb. 18th
Futami Maru	Japan	Feb. 24th
Gaelic	San Francisco, &c.	Feb. 13th

Cheong	Victoria, B.C.	Feb. 13
Cuthrie	Sydney, &c.	Feb. 20
Haimun	Swatow, &c.	Feb. 14
Hamburg	Straits, &c.	May 30
Hanchow	Yokohama	Feb. 13
Hiroshima Maru	Kobe & Yokohama	Feb. 15
Holsatia	Haive, &c.	Feb. 14
Hongkong Maru	San Francisco, &c.	Feb. 22
Java	Shanghai, &c.	Feb. 24
Kasuga Maru	Manila, &c.	Feb. 23
König Albert	Straits, &c.	April 4
Kosai Maru	Amoy, &c.	Feb. 15

Kweiyang	Tientsin	Feb. 25th
Lady Joicy	San Diego, &c.	Mar. 31st
Lightning	Singapore, &c.	Feb. 13th
Maindzurū Maru	Swatow, &c.	Feb. 18th
Messila	Marseilles, &c.	April 14th
Miké Maru	Bombay, &c.	Mar. 2nd
Nestor	Liverpool	Mar. 7th
Nippon Maru	San Francisco, &c.	Mar. 20th
Oldenburg	Straits, &c.	Feb. 23rd
Paramatta	Marseilles, &c.	Mar. 31st
Preussen	Straits, &c.	May 16th
Prinz Heinrich	Straits, &c.	May 2nd

Pyrrhus	Liverpool	Feb. 18th
Queen Eleanor	New York	Feb. 15th
Rophila	Japan	Feb. 7th
Sachsen	Straits, &c.	June 14th
Sarpedon	London	Mar. 6th
Swella	Havre, &c.	Mar. 16th
Saxonia	Havre, &c.	Mar. 31st
St. Regulus	New York	Ok. 23rd
Swallow	London	Feb. 2nd
Suntgat	Straits, &c.	Mar. 21st
Sungshiang	Manila	Feb. 16th
Tonghai	London	May 12th

Yokohama	San Diego, &c.	Mar. 6th
Yokohama	Port Darwin, &c.	Feb. 14th
Tokyo	Marseilles, &c.	Feb. 21st
Wakasa-Maru	Straits, &c.	April 18th
Weimar	Manila	Feb. 13th
Yuen-sang		



## Intimations.

## THE PUNJON MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a MEETING of the Board of Directors of the Company, held at the Company's Office, No. 9, Praya Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on Monday, the 29th day of January, 1900, the following Resolution was passed:—

That a CALL of One Dollar per Share upon all the holders of Ordinary Shares in the above Company in respect of all the Shares held by them in the above Company be and the same is hereby made. Such Calls to be paid to the Company at their Bankers, the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, at their Premises, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on or before the 31st day of March, 1900.

And Notice is also given that in accordance with Article 24 of the Company's Articles of Association, interest will be charged as from the said 31st day of March, 1900, at the rate of 5 per centum per annum, upon all calls remaining unpaid after the said 31st day of March, 1900, up to the actual date of payment of the same.

Shareholders are particularly requested to note that upon presentation at the office of the Company of the Bankers' receipt for payment of the call together with the certificate of the shares in respect of which the call has been paid, an endorsement to that effect will be made upon the certificate.

By order of the Board of Directors,  
W. H. GASKELL,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1900. [130]

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Hongkong, 11th September, 1896. [135]

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HONGKONG, No. 1, 165.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above

LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS'

HALL, Zetland Street, on FRIDAY,

the 16th instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely.

Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 9th February, 1900. [176b]

To be Let.

TO LET.

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Apply to

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Hongkong, 6th February, 1900. [155b]

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THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-

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Hongkong, 17th November, 1899. [12]

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NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE

COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above

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Hongkong, 28th May, 1897. [150]

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1900.

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4th December, 1899. [23]

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Hongkong, 17th January, 1900.

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address marked in full) by 5 P.M., on the day

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For further information apply to

DODWELL &amp; CO., LIMITED.

General Agents.

Hongkong, 9th February, 1900. [4]

CALIFORNIA AND ORIENTAL

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IN CONNECTION WITH

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM

HONGKONG TO SAN DIEGO AND

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VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND

HONOLULU.

Taking Cargo and Passengers to JAPAN PORTS

and HONOLULU, The UNITED STATES, &amp;c.

Belgian King, 3379, about Feb. 21

Thyra, 3406, about Mar. 6

Lady Juley, 3406, about Mar. 31

THE Steamship

"BELGIAN KING,"

will be despatched for SAN DIEGO and

SAN FRANCISCO, via KOBE, YOKO-

HAMA and HONOLULU, on or about

WEDNESDAY, the 21st February.

Through Bills of Lading issued to any point

in the United States.

Cargo will be received on board until 5 P.M.

the day previous to sailing. Parcel packages

will be received at the OFFICE until the same

time. All parcels should be marked to address

in full. Value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany cargo de-

stined to Points beyond San Diego, should be

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Collector of Customs, San Diego.

For further information as to Freight or

Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD &amp; SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, China and Japan.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1900. [28]

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL  
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HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Galle (via Shanghai,

Nagasaki, Kobe, In-

land Sea, Yokohama

and Honolulu.) To-morrow, 13th Feb.,

at Noon.

Doric (via Shanghai,

Nagasaki, Kobe, In-

land Sea, Yokohama

and Honolulu.) Saturday, 10th Mar.,

at Noon.

Coptic (via Shanghai,

Nagasaki, Kobe, In-

land Sea, Yokohama

and Honolulu.) Thursday, 9th April,

at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship

"GAELIC,"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via

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Steamers of this line pass through the IN-

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of the United States or Canada. Rates, and

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to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military,

Diplomatic and Civil Services, to European

Officials in the service of China and Japan, and

to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-emb-

arking at San Francisco for China or Japan

(or vice versa) within one year, will be allowed

a discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does

not apply to through fares for China and Japan

to Europe.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to

address in full; and same will be received at

the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day

previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo des-

tined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the

United States, should be sent to the Company's

Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs,

San Francisco.

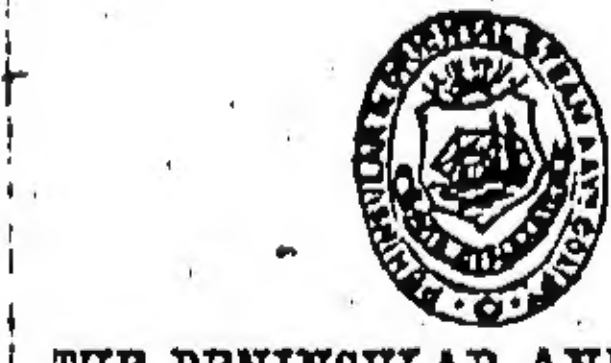
For further information as to Freight or

Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company,

Queen's Building.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 22nd January, 1900. [2]

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL  
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AMERICAN PORTS.)

THE Steamship

"BENGAL,"

Captain S. Barcham, carrying Her Majesty's

Mails, will be despatched from this Port for

BOMBAY, &amp;c., on SATURDAY, the 17th

instant, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo

for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France,

and Tea for London (under arrangement) will

be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer

proceeding direct to Marseilles and London;

other Cargo for London, &amp;c., will be conveyed

via Bombay with Transhipment.

Parcels with addresses marked in full, and

consular Invoices to accompany Cargo des-

tined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the

United States, should be sent to the Company's

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Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company,

Queen's Building.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 3rd February, 1900. [1]

## Mails.

## NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.)



PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
KOSAI MARU.....	{ AMOI, SHANGHAI, CHEMULPO and NAGASAKI.....	THURSDAY, 15th Feb., at Daylight.
HIROSHIMA MARU S. Yoshirawa.....	{ KOBE and YOKOHAMA .....	THURSDAY, 15th Feb., at 4 P.M.
WAKASA MARU J. B. MacMillan .....	{ MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANT- WERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.....	FRIDAY, 23rd Feb., at Daylight.
KASUGA MARU E. W. Haswell .....	{ MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE...	FRIDAY, 23rd Feb., at 4 P.M.
FUTAMI MARU.....	{ NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKO- HAMA .....	SATURDAY, 24th Feb., at 4 P.M.
MIKE MARU S. Kawamuro .....	{ BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO .....	FRIDAY, 2nd March, at Noon.

For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, &c., apply at the Company's Local Branch Office at No. 7, Praya Central.



## DECREES.

6th February.  
We appoint the 14th of February, at 5 o'clock p.m., to be the time for the Hearing of the case of the *Shen-an* under the Grand Preceptors Chung Yung and Hui Tung.  
(2) The Governor of Shensi is hereby appointed to direct Kao Keng-tai, Taitai of the Shen-an Intendency of said province, to come up to Peking at once for an Imperial audience.  
(3) Jung Lu, Generalissimo of the Chinese North, reports that Sung Ching, Provincial Commander-in-Chief of Szechuan and Commander of the Left Corps of the Grand Army, in spite of continued ill-health has reported for duty at the expiration of his sick leave which is very plucky for an officer of his great age and infirmities. Sung Ching, however, prays that some one be appointed as Vice-Commander of his Corps in order to assist him in his onerous duties. We commend this action of Sung Ching, which proves his loyalty and devotion to the Throne, and in deference to his wish hereby appoint General Ma Yung-tsun to be Vice-Commander of the said Left Corps in subordination to Sung Ching.—M. C. D. News.

## THE SHANGHAI SOUTH AFRICAN WAR FUND.

The sum of £8,000 has been remitted from Shanghai to London in aid of the above fund and the following letter has been despatched to Shanghai, 7th February, 1900.  
My Lord Mayor, I have the honour to inform you that a Public Meeting, over which I presided, was held in the Lyceum Theatre here on the 7th of December, and an influential Committee of British residents was elected to collect subscriptions for the South African War Fund. My appeal was very generously responded to, and, in addition to the subscriptions received from firms and individuals, several entertainments have been given for the benefit of the Fund. Lists were also sent to some of the outposts. The funds in the hands of the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Wade Gardner of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, have enabled us to make a telegraphic remittance of £8,000, to be handed to Your Lordship by the Manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank in London. This sum is to be distributed as follows:

Soldiers and Sailors' Families Association	£6,600
Patriotic Fund	900
Lloyd's Patriotic Fund	250
British Red Cross Society	250
<b>Total</b>	<b>£8,000</b>

I am to state that the community desires that this money should not be capitalised, but should be expended on immediate necessities. The Fund still remains open and further remittances will be made to your Lordship from time to time. The outposts which comprise are Shanghai, Ningpo, Kichiang, Chinkiang, Wuhu, Hangchow, and Ichang.  
(Signed) PELHAM WARREN, Consul-General.

## The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor.

## DEATH OF MR. W. GORDON.

We regret to record the sudden death of Mr. W. Gordon, of the firm of Gordon and Co., which occurred early yesterday morning at Miyashita, says the *Yokohama Herald*. On Saturday, when Mr. Gordon started on a country trip, he was apparently in good health and spirits. It is believed, from the wording of the telegram announcing his decease, that the cause of death was heart disease. Mr. Gordon was a Scotsman, born at Keith, Banffshire, in 1850. He had lived in Shanghai for some time before he came to Japan. He was some years in the employ of Reynell and Co., of Yokohama, and in 1892 took over their business. He has been a director of various limited liability companies. Mr. Gordon had returned quite recently from a trip to Scotland. He will have many mourners in this community, for he was a man of the highest character and the most lovable disposition.

## THE DOUGLAS AND THE OSAKA SHOSEN S. S. COMPANIES.

It has been already reported that the Douglas S. S. Company has determined to abstain from further competition with the Osaka Shosen Kaisha on the Formosa-Amoy line. Japanese journals now allege that the former company has approached the Osaka folk with a proposal to sell three of its steamers—presumably those employed hitherto upon the Formosa line—but that the Directors of the Osaka Company are not inclined to consider the proposition unless its rivals consent to dispose of all their vessels, some 6 or 7 in number. That would involve the surrender of the Douglas Company's service to Fochow, which is understood to be a paying business. It is stated that Messrs. Samuel Samuel and Company are acting on behalf of the Douglas Company in this matter.—*Japan Mail*.

## THE "NIPPON" ON THE WAR.

The *Nippon* has collected and published a number of extracts from European newspapers, which go to prove that the South African Republics are receiving substantial, though non-official, assistance from nearly all the countries of Continental Europe, notably France, Russia and Germany. Our Tokyo contemporary comes to the conclusion that Great Britain is fighting, not merely the Transvaal and the Orange Free State, but the Transvaal and the Orange Free State reinforced by all the leading Powers of Europe, and that unless England makes up her mind to seize Delagoa Bay, and effectually check the inflow of men and material of war into South Africa, the *Evening Post* comment will be verified, "God only knows when the war will end." It certainly does appear that Portugal is wholly incompetent to enforce her rights as a neutral. She may be acting with entire good faith, but if it be true that a body of Transvaalians have crossed her territory for the purpose of attacking Rhodesia, there can no longer be any question that her neutrality is a myth. The British Government has of course given this subject the fullest consideration, and has been guided by reasons of sound policy in the very conservative attitude hitherto maintained towards Portugal. Outlets can not conjecture what might be involved in a strict enforcement of Great Britain's belligerent rights against Portugal's perfumances, but outsiders can see very plainly what serious embarrassment is caused by leaving Delagoa Bay open to the free entry of supplies for the use of the Transvaal. The result of the recent complication with Germany about the *Bundarak* affair seems to be a distinct recognition of the principle that neutral vessels bound for a neutral port are not liable to seizure by belligerent ships upon the high seas. If that doctrine be practically admitted, then it follows that German merchant vessels may remain an open door through which Continental Europe can elude the hands of England's enemies. But is Lorenzo Marques a neutral port? Its authorities certainly appear to have ceased to discharge the obligations devolving upon a neutral.—*Japan Mail*.

## SIR WILLIAM BUTLER AND THE WAR.

## THE FULLEST INQUIRY COURTED.

The London correspondent of the *Unionist* writes: "Public opinion appears to be veering more in favour of Sir William Butler. There is now a general desire that the allegations which have been made against him should be thoroughly examined, and that his own assertions should be put to the strict test of investigation. I understand from a well-informed source that Sir William insists, and is prepared to bring documentary proof to support it, that during his tenure of the command in South Africa he fully advised the authorities of all the preparations which the Boers were making, and also pointed out that steps should be taken to counteract them. He supplied, or caused to be supplied, the War Office with copies of invoices showing what orders had been given by the Transvaal Government, with detailed specifications of every gun that was imported into the country, and also the actual cheques which passed for their payment. 'My views as a politician,' he is reported to have said, 'had nothing whatever to do with my duty to my Queen and country. I was an officer in her Majesty's service, receiving her pay, and I court the fullest inquiry into my conduct during the time I held command.' That a strict and impartial inquiry will be made I have high authority for stating, not only into the conduct of Sir William Butler, but into the entire management of the War Department, which has left so much undone that it ought to have done. In the meantime condemnation or praise of Sir W. Butler's conduct may safely be left until after that period. His political indiscretions are manifest; his conduct of military affairs has yet to be put to the test of inquiry."

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